

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD

HEALTH BENEFITS COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Approval of Minutes of September 7, 2000 Meeting

ITEM NUMBER: 2

ATTACHMENT(S): 1

ACTION: X

MEETING DATE: October 12, 2000

INFORMATION: _____

PRESENTER: Chairperson

Please see the attached minutes of the September 7, 2000, Health Benefits Committee meeting.

PROPOSED
MINUTES OF THE
HEALTH BENEFITS COMMITTEE
OF THE
CALIFORNIA STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2000
FIRST FLOOR BOARD ROOM
7667 FOLSOM BOULEVARD
SACRAMENTO, CA 95826

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Cindi Aronberg, Chairperson, representing the State Controller, Kathleen Connell
Yvonne Gallegos Bodle
George Fenimore
Gary Lynes
Marty Mathiesen
Lillian Raffel
Emma Zink
Jennifer DuCray-Morrill, representing the State Treasurer, Philip Angelides
Annette Porini, representing the Director of Finance, B. Timothy Gage

STAFF PRESENT

James D. Mosman, Chief Executive Officer
Christopher Waddell, Chief Counsel
Ed Derman, DCEO, External Affairs and Program Development Branch
Michael Carter, DCEO, Client Benefits and Services Branch
Peggy Plett, DCEO, Administration Branch
Laurence Martin, DCEO, Information and Financial Systems Branch
Annette Wimmer, Health Care Consultant
Mary Miles, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT

Edna White, CRTA
Susan Goff, CRTA
Beverly Carlson, CTA
Angela M. Aschbrenner, CRTA
Loretta Toggenburger, TLA
Zoe Ann Murray, CRTA
Bill Collins, CTA
Dorothy Moser, UTLA -R
Michael Green, CTA
David Seiler, Delta Dental
Elizabeth Mackenzie, CRTA
George Wichman, CTA
Lois Shive, CTA

A quorum now being present, Chairperson Aronberg called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 13, 2000 MEETING

MOTION duly made by Ms. Porini, seconded by Ms. Zink, and carried to approve the minutes of July 13, 2000.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairperson Aronberg expressed Dr. Connell's regrets for not being able to attend the meeting, and reported Dr. Connell is pleased at the headway made with the Johnston bill and Medicare Part A, but disappointed on the PEMHCA reforms in the Keeley bill. Chairperson Aronberg stated the Committee and Task Force need to work on the report to the Legislature due April 1, 2001, on a prescription drug program and a program to provide health benefits to retired members.

Chairperson Aronberg reported that the Task Force met and selected three dates for all day meetings: October 2, November 27, and December 18.

IV. REVIEW OF MEDICARE PART A EFFORTS

Mr. Derman reported that SB 1435 (Johnston) had passed and is waiting signature by the Governor. Mr. Derman stated the need to implement this legislation immediately upon signature due to Medicare enrollment dates.

V. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Mr. Derman reported the provision in Assembly Bill 2383 (Keeley) revising the PEMHCA language which would allow CalSTRS members to enroll in the CalPERS Medicare Supplement Program and the \$2 billion from CalSTRS assets to reduce contribution payments made by employers who provide retiree health benefits had been deleted from the bill.

VI. CALPERS/CALSTRS COLLABORATION UPDATE

Mr. Derman's report was included in previous item.

VII. UPDATE ON MEDICARE RFP

Ms. Wimmer reported that the RFP should be ready for distribution by October 1st with a return date in early December. Ms. DuCray-Morrill requested to review the draft RFP prior to its distribution.

VIII. TASK FOR UPDATE

Ms. Wimmer reported that, in order to expand participation, each Task Force member organization was asked to consider if they had the right members representing them on the Task Force.

IX. DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE OCTOBER HEALTH BENEFITS COMMITTEE MEETING

Staff was directed to remove the CalPERS/CalSTRS Collaboration Update from the proposed agenda and add an item on CalPERS/CalSTRS Direct Care Effort, and an item to discuss the preparation of the report to the Legislature.

X. OPPORTUNITY FOR STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Aronberg adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

James D. Mosman, Chief Executive Officer
Secretary to the Teachers' Retirement Board

Kathleen Connell, Chairperson